



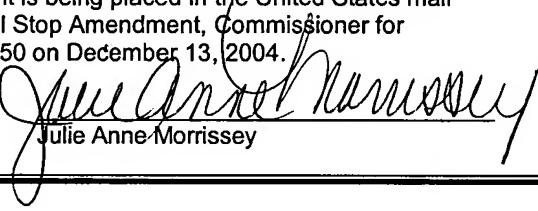
**PATENT**  
**PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME**  
**UNDER 37 CFR §1.136(a)**

Docket No. B0004/7110

Applicant: Jochen Franzen  
Serial No: 10/624,913  
Filed: July 22, 2003  
For: IONIZATION AT ATMOSPHERIC PRESSURE FOR MASS SPECTROMETRIC ANALYSES  
Examiner: J. Leybourne  
Art Unit: 2881

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Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

**This is a request under the provisions of 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a) to extend the period for filing a response in the above-identified application up to, and including, December 13, 2004.**

**Small Entity**

Applicant claims small entity status

**Extension**

The requested extension and the appropriate fee are as follows:

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| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | One month (37 C.F.R. §1.17(a)(1))    | \$120.00 |
| <input type="checkbox"/>            | Two months (37 C.F.R. §1.17(a)(2))   |          |
| <input type="checkbox"/>            | Three months (37 C.F.R. §1.17(a)(3)) |          |
| <input type="checkbox"/>            | Four months (37 C.F.R. §1.17(a)(4))  |          |
| <input type="checkbox"/>            | Five months (37 C.F.R. §1.17(a)(5))  |          |

Reduction by one-half for request by small entity

Total Fee: \$120.00

**Payment**

- A check in the amount of the extension fee is enclosed.  
 The extension fee is included in a fee payment made in connection with papers accompanying this petition.

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- Charge the extension fee to deposit account no. 02-3038. A duplicate of this sheet is attached.
- The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any other fees under 37 C.F.R. §1.16 and §1.17 that may be required, or credit any overpayment, to deposit account no. 02-3038.

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